

### REMARKS

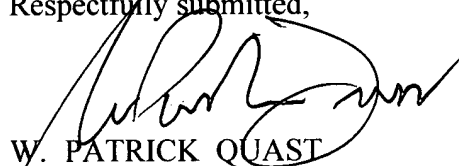
Claims 1, 5 and 6 remain in this application.

Applicant affirms his provisional election to prosecute the invention set out in claims 1 through 6 inclusive and has by this amendment withdrawn claims 7 through 12 from further consideration. Of course, this is not to be construed as an admission that there is not patentability to be found in the withdrawn claims; and the withdrawal is done without prejudice to Applicant's right to pursue a further application directed to these claims as may be provided for under the law and the rules and regulations of the Office.

Applicant has revised his claims so as to modify claim 1 to now include the substance of claims 2, 3 and 4. The examiner advised that claim 4 "would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims." Claim 1 as now amended is responsive to this directive and as such should now be found allowable. Claims 5 and 6 are dependent from amended claim 1 and likewise should be found allowable.

The reconsideration of the claims as now amended and their allowance as well as the entire application is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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